

NM EQIP FY 2004 Ranking Criteria Worksheet - Grazing Lands - Fort Sumner F.O.

Applicant: _____			Date: _____		
Farm No. _____		Tract No(s). _____		CMS Field No's. _____	
Tribal Land _____		Non-Tribal Land _____		Preliminary Rating _____ Final Rating _____	

1. Plants - 100 Potential Points (25% of Total)

Note: Instructions on separate sheet		% Area in Contract Before Treatment	% Area in Contract After Treatment.	Potential Points	Bench-mark Points	After Points
Rangelands:	SI of 76-1 00 w/trend up or not apparent		___ + ___ + ___ =	100		
	Ecological SI of 51-75 with upward trend		___ + ___ + ___ =	80		
	Site SI of 51-75 with downward trend		___ + ___ + ___ =	10		
	Similarity SI of 26-50 with upward trend		___ + ___ + ___ =	60		
	Index SI of 26-50 with downward trend		___ + ___ + ___ =	10		
	(SI)* SI of 0-25 with upward trend		___ + ___ + ___ =	50		
	SI of 0-25 with downward trend		___ + ___ + ___ =	0		
Riparian:	Use Attachment 1, 2, or 3	% Quality Bench Mark: _____	% Quality After: _____	100		
Grazed Forest:	Use Attachment 4	% Quality Bench Mark: _____	% Quality After: _____	100		
1. Plants		Total	100% Total	100%	Total:	

2. Conservation Practice(s) Selection - 240 Potential Points (60% of Total)

Any practice used in the ranking criteria and intended to be included in the conservation plan of operations must be a cost-shared practice or have an incentive payment. Higher priority (value) should be given to those practices which address multiple resource concerns, are cost effective, and have longer life spans. Select resource concerns from NM Quality Criteria Guide.				Potential Points	Percent of Need to be Installed	After Points
Soil						
<i>(Sheet and Rill)</i>						
Brush Management (314)						
Mechanical Treatment				20		0
Chemical Treatment				10		0
Erosion Control Structure (362) (348)				20		0
<i>(Wind)</i>						
Brush Management (314)						
Chemical Treatment				30		0
Mechanical Treatment				10		0
Water						
<i>(Inefficient Water Use on Non Irrigated Land)</i>						
Brush Management (314)				20		0
Plants						
<i>(Productivity, Health & Vigor and Invasive Plants)</i>						
Brush Management (314)						
Heavy Infestation				60		0
Medium Infestation				40		0
Light Infestation				20		0
Fence (382)				10		0
Livestock Pipeline (516)				5		0
Water Facility (614)				10		0
Well (642)				10		0

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Animals			
<i>(Inadequate Food and Water for Wildlife and Domestic Animals)</i>			
Brush Management (314)	10		0
Fence (382)	10		0
Wildlife Watering Facility (648)	15		0
Water Facility (614)	10		0
Well (642)	10		0
2. Conservation Practice Selection	Total:		0

3. Other Considerations - 60 Potential Points (15% of Total)

Items A thru D are required. If there are other criteria the D.C. wants to recommend based on LWG advice, please include them as item(s) E and F.	Potential Points	Benchmark Points	After Points
A. At risk species habitat will be enhanced. (List the species impacted)	10		0
B. Treatment of this land could have a beneficial impact on a 303d listed stream segment.	5		0
C. Treatment of this land could enhance the benefits of an active or planned sec. 319 project.	5		0
D. The land is within a NMED designated Category I watershed.	5		0
E. Proposed contracted area will be treated to eradicate and/or prevent infestation of Class A, Class B and/or Class C noxious weeds, as designated by NMDA.	5		0
F. Brush Management Practices will be adjacent to the Pecos River Corridor.	20		0
G. Brush Management Practices will be adjacent to a tributary of the Pecos River.	10		0
3. Other Considerations	Total:		0

Total Points (After minus Benchmark):

Section 1 0

Section 2 0

Section 3 0

Total Points for Worksheet:

0

Designated Conservationist

Date

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